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## LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

### FOREIGN NEWS BY THE CABLE.

#### Peace Between Prussia and France

#### Paris to be Entered on Sunday Next.

#### Restoration of Railway Communication

### MISCELLANY.

**THE GERMAN EMPEROR AND M. THIERS**  
Peace Reasonably Assured—Paris to be Entered on Sunday, &c.

GERMAN NEWS.  
VERSAILLES, Feb. 22, via London, 5:30 A. M., 23.—The Emperor received Thiers to-day. Gen. Chanzy was present at the interview. Peace is considered concluded though it has not been signed.

The Germans will probably enter Paris on Sunday next, but with triumphal ceremony, and will not remain in the city long.

VERSAILLES, Feb. 23.—The *Moniteur*, official, of Versailles, justifies Germany's demands for an indemnity of two millions of thalers.

### PORTUGUESE NEWS.

LISBON, Feb. 23.—News from Rio Janeiro, February 21, had been received by the mail steamer. The news is meagre. Affairs at Montevideo are improving. The revolutionists have been defeated and the insurrection nearly ended. It recalls the example of America and adds that France will soon recover from her present condition, provided she abandons useless wars.

### ENGLISH NEWS.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—A dispatch from Paris of the 22d instant says nothing is known of the Prussian terms for peace. The *Figaro*, however, says the terms are conciliatory.

The *Moniteur*, at Versailles, says the war indemnity demanded by the Government is two millions of thalers.

The Germans demand the immediate payment of two millions of francs by the Department of the Oise, and accord delay in the payment of the remaining eight millions.

All the railways leading to Paris have been re-established.

The Paris *Moniteur* says Trochu has resigned, at the request of Thiers, and retired to private life.

The disturbance at Nice has been suppressed.

The *Gaulois* says Lord Lyons, the British Ambassador, and Chevalier Nigra, the Italian Minister, will soon go to Paris, in order to afford Thiers the moral support of their Governments in peace negotiations.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—A dispatch from Paris of this date says that the moats around that city have been filled with water for defense.

A dispatch from Dieppe of the 22d says that the eighth German corps, belonging to Manteuffel's army and composed of Mecklenburgers, is arriving there, and if peace is signed, will embark for Hamburg.

### FRENCH NEWS.

BORDEAUX, Feb. 23.—The *Moniteur* announces that the armistice has been prolonged until the 28th inst. at midnight. It denies the reports which have been current concerning the Prussian demands, and says that Bismarck and Thiers maintain absolute silence at present.

PARIS, Feb. 23.—The *Patrie* of to-day says that Bismarck has communicated conditions of peace to the Cabinets at Vienna, London and St. Petersburg. The city is tranquil.

### CONGRESSIONAL.

#### SENATE.

The Texas Pacific Railroad bill, as returned by the House with amendments, was laid before the Senate by the Vice President.

Howard moved that the Senate non-concur, and asked for a Committee of Conference on the bill.

Sherman moved that the Senate concur. Warner said the amendments by the House made the bill almost entirely a new one, and in order that the Senate might know exactly what it was, he moved that it be laid on the table until it could be printed, which was agreed to.

The McGarran bill, after a short discussion, showing that it could not pass this session, was laid on the table.

A joint resolution of the Indiana Legislature, favoring the removal of the Capital, was presented.

The bill extending section 55 of the National Currency bill of 1869 to banks organized under the act of 1863, passed, it imposing certain penalties for embezzlement.

The Indian Appropriation bill was resumed.

A motion to take up the bill suspending the construction of the Cincinnati and Newport Bridges failed, by a vote of 22 to 25.

The bill relieving brandy distilled from grapes from duties was indefinitely postponed.

#### HOUSE.

The bill prescribing an oath for Senator Miller, of Georgia, passed and goes to the President.

The bill relieving John Williamson, of Savannah, from political disabilities passed, and goes to the President.

A Conference Committee was ordered on the bill bridging the Mississippi.

The Fortification Appropriation bill passed. It appropriates one million and a half of dollars, exclusive of unexpended balances.

The River and Harbor Appropriation bill was taken up.

Jones, of Kentucky, said that only one-fourth of the sum given was for the South. An amendment was added giving \$25,000 to the Ouachita river, in Arkansas, and the bill passed.

A woman living in Prairie City, Ill., a few evenings since followed her husband into a village saloon armed with an ax. Finding him engaged with several others playing cards, she smashed the table with her ax, scattered the cards, piled up the astonished players, and carried off her husband in triumph.

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## HOME NEWS.

### MEMORIAL TO CONGRESS.

#### The French Fund—Loss of a Steamer, &c.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 23.—The Board of Trade have adopted a memorial to Congress, asking an appropriation of one million and a half dollars for the improvement of the Mississippi River between the mouth of the Missouri and Cairo, by means of dykes and other structures which will tend to strengthen the river and give greater depth to the channel in time of low water.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—The French contributions now exceed \$100,000.

A full length portrait of Washington, which has been in litigation for a number of years, was sold to-day for \$250.

The District Attorney General has commenced suit against the Ocean National Bank for \$10,000, for a failure to make the returns required by law.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 23.—The cause of the resignation of the Republicans, whereby legislation was stopped for lack of a quorum, was on account of a motion on the part of the Democrats to re-district the State.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 23.—Col. John S. Monroe, Mayor of New Orleans at the time that city was captured by Gen. Butler, and who was imprisoned for a long time by that General, but who has been a resident of this city since the war ended, died suddenly this afternoon.

A disastrous fire occurred last night, destroying Hodgson's block on Bay street. The loss is near two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, about half of which is covered by insurance.

RICHMOND, Feb. 23.—The Senate to-day passed the Washington and Richmond Railway bill, with amendments. Ayes 21, nays 17. It goes back to the House where it will be passed to-morrow.

BOSTON, Feb. 23.—The ship *Galconada*, from Liberia for Baltimore, was ashore on Nantucket shoals. The Captain sent his wife and child and some passengers ashore in a boat, when a vessel was sent to rescue the *Galconada*, which found no trace of her.

## WASHINGTON.

### INDIANA LEGISLATORS RESIGN.

Delegations Urging the Passage of the Cincinnati and Southern Railroad Bill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—It is reported that thirty-five members of the Indiana Legislature have resigned, and that the Republican Senators will resign.

The President has nominated R. W. Healey as Marshal for South Alabama.

Col. V. A. Gaskill is here as the agent of Georgia to secure agricultural land scrip for that State. He has assurances from high authority that the scrip will be issued as soon as the clerks can prepare it.

There are full delegations here from Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee, and a delegation from Atlanta, Ga., to urge the passage of Sherman's bill regarding the Cincinnati and Southern Railroad.

The River and Harbor bill, which passed the House to-day, gives to Onachita river \$51,000.

## Notice to Soldiers.

The following persons are referred to the Board of Examining Surgeons, for examination, on the first Wednesday in March, April or May, 1871:

Joseph Gray, late company A, 3rd Tennessee volunteers.

William Craig, late company G, 7th Tennessee mounted volunteers.

Richard F. Green, late company E, 3rd Tennessee infantry volunteers.

William Carroll, late company K, 11th Tennessee cavalry.

Elisha Rose, late company A, 5th Tennessee infantry.

John L. Shippe, late Sergeant-Major, 3rd Tennessee infantry.

William M. Sawyers, late Lieut.-Colonel 3rd Tennessee infantry.

Jonathan Tallent, late company H, 5th Tennessee infantry.

Jonathan T. Johnson, late company K, 2nd Tennessee infantry.

Yancy Moore, late company K, 1st Tennessee infantry.

William C. Lane, late company D, 2nd Tennessee cavalry.

John W. Calkin, late company B, 4th Tennessee infantry.

John Bates, late company D, 9th Tennessee.

James P. Freeman, late company I, 1st Tennessee infantry.

Wilson Maples, late company I, 1st Tennessee infantry.

Albert T. Lea, late Assistant Surgeon, 6th Tennessee cavalry.

Pharough Duncan, late company K, 3rd Tennessee volunteers.

James R. Kirk, late company C, 1st Tennessee cavalry.

Austin Hancock, late company F, 3rd Tennessee volunteers.

The following will report on the first Wednesday in March or April, 1871:

Ed Sharp, late company A, 1st Tennessee volunteers.

George W. Whitten, late company C, 1st Tennessee volunteers.

Robert Heaton, late company G, 5th Tennessee volunteers.

## CUPID'S VAGARIES.

### The Course of True Love Never Did Run Smooth.

#### A Mountain Lawyer in Search of a Wife.

The Knot Tied After Many Difficulties—Female.

In one of the hamlets of East Tennessee accessible by rail, there dwells an adolescent disciple of Blackstone, whose love adventures would, if written, fill several volumes. The hot blood of youth coursed through his veins, and realizing the advice handed down from patriarchal ages that it is not good for man to be alone, he sought him a helpmate and transplanted from her parent bed one of the fairest flowers of the forest, (figuratively speaking,) that ever wore crinoline, (to speak literally.)

But, alas for human hopes! Ere the honeymoon had passed, his heartless conduct withered the affection of the bonny bride, as the noontide sun in its sultriness blights the tender rose, and she returned to her childhood's home, where she has since remained, the matrimonial fetters having been riven by the courts.

Time passed, and the tender passion again stirred in the bosom of the disappointed seeker of wedded bliss. He loved the second time—the passion was reciprocated—the wedding day was set and he was happy. But alas for human expectations! Fortune again proved fickle and unkind. Two days before the consummation of his happiness, a festive youth appeared on the scene—he became acquainted with our hero's intended bride. It was a case of love at first sight, and the fair one went back on her fiancé and married the new lover the day after becoming acquainted, and the wedding cake was eaten by a groom for whom it was not originally intended.

But our hero was not discouraged. He remembered that there was good fish yet left in the sea, and accordingly set about catching one. He changed his base of operations, and rumor hath it that he paid his devoirs to a young lady residing in Knoxville. Of this we are not assured, however, but whether true or false, nothing ever came of the attachment.

As time passed, his lacerated bosom slowly healed and he found another affinity, a gushing maiden of whose head the breath of scarce fifteen summers had passed. Her "crucel parent" was averse to her marrying, on general principles, and her choice in particular. Unlike "Barkis," he wasn't "willin'." Not much. But "love laughs at bolts and bars." An elopement was planned, and remembering the danger of delay, and that

"There's many a slip 'Twixt the cup and the lip,"

A suitable person was found to tie the knot, which was successfully done. The auspicious day arrived, or rather night, Wednesday evening, February 22d, the natal day of the "Father of his Country." He flattered himself his bachelor's troubles were then over, but an avenging Nemesis appeared on the scene, a few moments after the ceremony had been performed—his new made father-in-law—who told his daughter to accompany him home. Human nature couldn't endure such, and the newly made husband informed the old gentleman that he was a little too late and his wife must remain. Paterfamilias hadn't a particle of romance in his rugged bosom, and turned on his son-in-law with fury, administering a beating, which, while it reflected credit on his prowess in the use of his fists, yet would be reprehended by young men going to marry, if the custom was generally introduced. The scene of festivity was transformed into a boxing school, where only one enjoyed the sport.

The bride was then fain to accompany her father, while her liege lord picked himself up and meditated on the mutability of human affairs.

The bridal night was a solitary one to both. But though sleep came not to his eyelids, yet a plan was formed. He would call in the strong arm of the law to aid in restoring his bride—

"What God hath joined together, let not man put asunder"—he would not. Yesterday he appeared before the proper tribunal, praying for a writ of *habeas corpus* to compel the incarcerated parent to surrender his daughter. The old gentleman thinks she had better go to school awhile, but the law will take its course, and what the result will be—whether the young man, who, in search of a wife, has as many difficulties to encounter as "Japhet in search of a father," will again have his hopes cruelly blasted or realize a full fruition of the same—yet remains to be seen.

The musical treat last night.

The musical entertainment of the Young Peoples' Christian Association last night, at the lecture room of the Second Presbyterian Church, was, in every sense, a decided success. The room was decidedly too small to accommodate the large audience present. Mr. T. H. Heald, President of the Association, announced the order of exercises. We hail the Glad Spring Time, the Hay Maker's Glee, and Glory Be to God, from the 12th Mass, were rendered by the Association, under the direction of Mr. O. B. Smith, with Miss Cowan at the piano, with fine effect. The Witches' Dance, by Mrs. Washburn, was well received and well played. The Robbers, a very difficult piece, was exceedingly well rendered by Miss Mary Temple. The Boat Song, and Summer, by the Welsh Glee Club, popular melodies, were received with great applause by the audience and proof that our Welsh friends love music. The Watch in the West, by W. J. Richards, was given in his best style. MacGregor's Gathering, a soul stirring and spirited air, giving the vow of the celebrated clan, was very fine, indeed. Old Robin the Bow, with variations, a very popular melody, was given with modesty, but great taste, by Mrs. O. B. Smith. The Messenger Bird, a duet of real merit, was exceedingly well sung by Mrs. P. D. Cowan and Mrs. O. B. Smith. After notice of a literary meeting on the 10th of March, the exercises closed with benediction by Rev. M. Emory.

Ten thousand muskrats were slaughtered in and around Grand Junction, Iowa, the past season.

Prize fighting on Sunday is "just the thing" at Fort Wayne.

## SAN DOMINGO.

### What the Commission Will Report.

Gen. Boynton, the special correspondent of the *Cincinnati Gazette* with the San Domingo commission, in a special dispatch to his paper, under date of the 2d inst., says, in reference to the work, views and report of the commission as follows:

The commission is proceeding in an unostentatious way, and is very industrious. It will report what it sees and discovers bearing upon the question embraced in the Senate resolution, but will express no opinion upon the policy of annexation.

What was seen of the people around Samana was of little consequence compared with the investigation into the value of the place as a naval station. All seem to agree that if the present condition of the finances would justify it that harbor where the coaling station is should be obtained by our government by lease or purchase.

The real investigation into the views and disposition of the people and resources of the country will begin here. It is the present intention to go from this place some time next week to Azua, and visit the region around the Bay of Swae, thence proceed to the north side of the island, probably stopping at Port au Prince for one or two days. If deemed advisable, from Puerto Plata, or some point near, either the commission or small parties will visit the great plains of the south, and one or two of the principal inland cities.

Thus far the problems which seem to be regarded as most important are, the difficulty of assimilating into the mixed population; the question whether our system of taxation would be submitted to; whether war with Hayti would not soon follow, and whether our Treasury just now can stand the strain of the large appropriations which the annexation would require immediately.

The magnificence of the foliage, beauty and grandeur of the mountains, and richness of the country can not be overated. There is, however, neither energy nor thrift.

The commission hopes to start home soon after the 1st of March. There has been no case of illness in the party, and the season is healthy everywhere in the island, so far as heard from. All the United States officers upon the island are well.

The report of the commission can hardly be ready for Congress before the latter part of March, or ten days after their arrival in Washington. It will doubtless contain a very favorable summary of the material resources of the island, and a strong commendation of Samana as a naval station.

The bearing of the observations made and studies presented upon the political and social and economical questions connected with the annexation, will probably be touched upon only so far as to call public attention to them, but without presenting an argument either for or against annexation. The report will undoubtedly fully vindicate the President's motives, and declare that his sole connection with the matter has been in his official capacity, and that he is not concerned in private operations of any kind.

The survey of public lands by a New York company is going rapidly forward. The contract with the Dominican government gives them one-fifth of the whole amount. The contract was first made with Fabens, and he arranged with the New York capitalists. Interests have been offered to official persons in Washington. The agent of the company here making the survey is also an agent of the government to see that the company do not get all the best land. Thus far \$70,000 has been expended in the survey. The company is selecting as far as possible outside of all the doubtful Spanish grant. There are millions of profit in the scheme if annexation takes place.

A certain tradesman had a large family and "little treasures" were continually being added to his board. One day one of his little boys happened to be in a store, and was thus interrogated by a young man present: "John, how many brothers and sisters have you got?" "I don't know," answered the boy, "I haven't been home since morning."

The other day, while the legislative committee were walking through the wards of the lunatic hospital of Rhode Island, one of the female patients, after looking curiously at the group, said, "Well, I declare! if the ain't the animals from Noah's ark."

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